# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE:	)		
	)	CHAPTER:	7
LATIN PRODUCTIONS, INC.	)	CASE NO.:	20-05525
	)	JUDGE:	WALKER
Debtor & Movant	)		
	)		
v.	)		
	)		
TRIPLE Z PROPERTIES, LLC and	)		
SAMAD ZANJANIPOUR	)		
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Respondents.	)		
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## MOTION FOR ORDER OF CONTEMPT AND SANCTIONS AGAINST RESPONDENT FOR VIOLATION OF THE AUTOMATIC STAY PROVISIONS OF SECTION 362(a)

COMES the Debtor & Movant, ("Debtor"), through counsel, Lefkovitz and Lefkovitz, PLLC, and hereby moves for an Order holding Samad Zanjanipour and Triple Z Properties, LLC (hereinafter "Respondents"), in contempt of this Court for willful violation of the automatic stay provisions of Section 362(a). In support of this motion, the Debtor would state as follows:

- This Motion for Contempt is governed by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9020, which incorporates
  Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9014.
- 2. The Debtor initiated a Chapter 7 bankruptcy case by filing a Voluntary Petition for relief on December 23, 2020. (*see* 20-05525 Bankr. Docket No. 1).
- 3. The Voluntary Petition listed the Respondent on Schedule F, and notice was sent by this Court on December 31, 2020. (*see* 20-05525 Bankr. Docket No. 4).

4. On January 19, 2021, Respondent sent an email to Debtor's counsel acknowledging receipt of notice of the bankruptcy filing, while also threatening to collect a debt and proceed with legal action to control property of the estate without relief (*see* Exhibit A).

#### **ARGUMENT**

- 5. The acts of Respondent regarding this matter constitute a wanton and willful violation of the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 6. The Respondent is willfully attempting to collect a debt in clear violation of the automatic stay provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 362(a).
- 7. The Debtor has suffered damages as a result of the Respondent's contempt, including, but not limited to, attorney's fees.
- 8. 11 U.S.C. § 362(k) provides that individuals injured by willful violations of the automatic stay shall recover actual damages, including costs and attorney's fees, and if appropriate, punitive damages.

**WHEREFORE**, based on the foregoing, Debtor prays for the following relief:

- A. That the Court set a hearing on the Debtor's motion for contempt and sanctions;
- B. That at the hearing, the Court finds the Respondent to have violated the automatic stay provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 362(a), and impose appropriate sanctions for damages, both actual and exemplary, and punitive damages if appropriate;
- C. That the Court award reasonable attorney's fees in favor of Lefkovitz and Lefkovitz,PLLC, and against Respondent, for the necessity of bringing this action; and
- D. Such other relief as the Court deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021, I served a copy of the foregoing in the following manner:

## Email by Electronic Case Noticing to:

Acting Asst. U.S. Trustee Michael Gigandet, Chapter 7 Trustee

## U.S. Mail Certified – return receipt requested

Samad Zanjanipour – Registered Agent Triple Z Properties, LLC 2111 Nolensville Pike Nashville, TN 37211

#### U.S. Mail First Class

The Debtor at 15128 Old Hickory Blvd, Nashville, TN 37211.

## /s/ Steven L. Lefkovitz

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